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Re: New U.S. Patent Application
IMAGE-SENSING DEVICE
By: Tomokazu KAKUMOTO and Yoshio HAGIHARA
Attorney Docket No. 15162/03080

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to an IMAGE-SENSING DEVICE, Tomokazu KAKUMOTO and Yoshio HAGIHARA, inventors:

- (1) Specification, including 16 claims and an abstract (25 pages);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages);
- (3) Formal Drawings (6 sheets);

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- (4) Transmittal letter (1 page) with PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data (2 pages);
- (5) Transmittal letter (1 page) with certified copy of priority document (JP 2000-030197, 30 pages);
- (6) Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages) and PTO Form-1449 (1 page) with a copy of each cited reference (3 references); and
- (7) Assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd. (2 pages) with Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page, in duplicate).

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CERTIFIED COPY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Submitted herewith is a certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-030197, filed February 2, 2000.

Priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119/365 for this Japanese patent application is claimed for the above-identified United States patent application.

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